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Middletown Magnet

"News that sticks in Middletown Springs"



Open House Draws a Strong Turnout

The Building Committee's Open House on Saturday, Oct. 4th drew a strong turnout despite cool and rainy conditions.

The preliminary sketches of the proposed town office and library attracted a lot of interest with helpful feedback, recommendations and favorable reaction. Our volunteer architects Michael Beattie and Mark McManus put a great deal of effort into the sketches and Michael was kept busy with a steady stream of people viewing the drawing, commenting and asking questions. To download copies of the building sketches visit the Building Committee page on the Town Website at www.middletownsprings.vt.gov

The Library Team led by Kimberly Mathewson and Kristal Hier was energetic and well prepared with displays describing the current library operations and limitations as well as their vision for the future in a new town building.

Nora Rubinstein and Herb Childress managed the "food court" with a steady supply of coffee, cider and donuts---much appreciated on a cool rainy day. Thanks to Dellveneri's Bakery, Lois Dansereau and Grants Village Store for their contributions of food and drink.

The display and photos of the historic center of town also drew considerable attention and enabled people to visualize a revitalized village with a new building at the heart of our Village Center.

Brownfield cleanup at the site is scheduled to be completed before the end of the year. The Fundraising Subcommittee is exploring potential funding options, including possible grants, in-kind and cash donations and dedicated fundraising events.

Sign Up Now for 20th Annual Holiday Craft Fair!



Friends for Education (FFE) the Parent/community Organization for Middletown Springs, has been graciously handed the responsibility of hosting the Annual Holiday Craft Fair. Both the former organizer Marilyn Parker, and FFE are very excited about this opportunity. FFE will use any proceeds from the event to help enhance learning opportunities at the school and also to continue to forge an important connection to the Middletown Springs Community and beyond.

This is our official call for vendors. FFE plans to use its volunteers to help promote, staff and coordinate all aspects of the Craft Fair. We will be working toward providing an enhanced Holiday Atmosphere for shoppers including craft projects/story time for children, music, and onsite staff during the show as well as concession foods, sandwiches, soups, and snacks.

With the help of Marilyn Parker and the FFE community we hope to invite both returnees and new vendors to this great local, community event. Booths will cost \$15 for vendors registering and postmarked prior to 10/15/14, vendors registering after this time will cost \$20. Registration will be on a first come first served basis, and we will certainly try to accommodate any special requests.

Please email Morganics@vermontel.net with any questions. Please send Registration fee with Vendor name and description of goods being sold, table requests and contact information to Friends For Education, PO Box 1267, Middletown Springs, VT 05757



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Fountain of Youth

What's for lunch on October 29? The Young At Heart Senior Center in Poultney will be serving Quiche and Salad with Brownies and Ice Cream...yum. At the cost of only \$3.50 that is a double yum! Come after

11 am for homemade soup and coffee. Dinner will be served at 12:00. These meals are cooked in their kitchen and served family style. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 287-9200. Hope to see you there.

The Friends of the Library



Most small libraries must rely on fund raising to obtain the funds needed in order to offer comprehensive services to their communities. It was in recognition of this need that our own local Friends of the Library group was formed on November 27, 2012. As we approach our second anniversary, we look back with pride on what our fund raising efforts have provided in physical improvements to the building and in additions to the library holdings. And we treasure the friendships that have been formed and/or strengthened in joining together for a shared cause in some very worthy projects.

But we are only a small part of a much larger organization. On a national scale, the Friends of the Library (FOL) is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization that operates under the umbrella of the American Library Association (ALA). The Friends had their origin in the 1930s, when the ALA was faced with a radical decline in tax revenue at the same time libraries across the country were experiencing a greater demand to provide adult education for those seeking employment. The ALA went public with its call for greater outside help to meet financial and advocacy needs, and the FOL was born.

As a nonprofit organization, FOL is eligible for many grants not available to such government agencies as public libraries. A Friends group, for instance, can secure construction and program grants offered only to non-tax-based groups. Working in close relationship with library trustees, a local FOL can often save the day. For example, when the Gilmanton, N.H., library was closed by a vote at the 2013 town meeting, intervention by a newly formed FOL reversed that vote in this year's 2014 election.



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Planning Commission News



During the past several weeks the Planning Commission has made some good progress on the Creative Economy Project. We have the 3 steering committee volunteers we've been seeking for the project. They are Nick Seidner - Rising Meadows Pottery, Ryan Mahar - Mahar Maple Farm and Marie Louka. Anyone who would be interested in serving on the Steering Committee with Nick, Ryan and Marie should contact any one of them or any member of the Planning Commission.

With the help of the Rutland Regional Planning Commission and the approval of the Middletown Springs Select Board we were able to complete and submit a Municipal Planning Grant application to the State of Vermont Department of Housing and Community Development. The grant application is for \$7800 and, if approved, will allow us to hire a consultant to work with the steering committee to research, organize and develop a Creative Economy organization for Middletown Springs. We should know by early to mid December if our grant application is successful.

Our thanks to Nick, Ryan and Marie as well as all who participated in the Creative Economy meetings. If you have any questions about this project please contact anyone of us, John Arsenault, Maureen McCormack, or Tom Hurcomb.

Men's Community Prayer Breakfast

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Fire Department News

Fall Preparation: As fall foliage fades, the oil weather means the Fire Department is prepping for chimney fire season. Thankfully, the last few years have produced very few calls, and we appreciate everyone's efforts. So please continue your good work, and keep all your heating appliances clean and in safe working order.

Also, don't forget to check your fire extinguishers and smoke detectors. These devices not only save lives; they are cheap insurance against possible property damage.

Upcoming Events: Santa Claus received such a warm Middletown Springs welcome last year that he has assured us that he will be returning again soon for our second annual Breakfast with Santa. He plans to arrive via big red fire truck on the morning of Saturday, November 29th. Look for future updates and info to come in the Magnet and on Front Page Forum.

The Firefighters are also holding their annual Fall Gun Raffle. This year, a Savage 7mm-08 synthetic stock deer rifle will go to the lucky ticket holder. Tickets are \$10 each, or 3 for \$20; and are available from any firefighter or at Grant's Village Store. The winning ticket will be drawn on November 1, 2014; and you need not be present to win.

Radio Grant Awarded: The Fire Department just received notice that they have been awarded a Federally funded communications grant in the amount of \$47,074. The money is to be used to upgrade their portable radios from analog to digital signal, so that we can be part of a statewide interoperable communication system. In the event of a statewide emergency, such as a hurricane, we would be able to communicate with any local or state agency. This would include fire, police, utilities, road crews, etc.

This non-matching funds grant is managed by the Vermont Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security. Middletown Springs Fire Department will be using the funds to purchase digital portable radios for each senior firefighter, digital mobile radios for each fire truck, plus digital mobile radios for the Chief and Assistant Chief.

Thanks for Your Support: We would like to thank all the voters who supported our unsuccessful request for funds for a new roof on the Firehouse. We are currently looking for alternate solutions to fix the problem.



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Community Church News



A new season of ministry begins for the Community Church as we move forward with our plan to "plant" a brand new church in downtown Rutland. With the name Redemption Church, a group from our church - who all live in the Rutland area - has begun preliminary meetings. We plan to begin regular weekly worship services in Rutland on Easter 2015.

We are also excited to welcome our first ever pastoral ministry resident Adam Robles and his wife Brittany, who have relocated from Brooklyn, NY to spend a few months with the Middletown Springs church community. Adam will be assisting Pastor Jared in ministry duties in Middletown and at the new church plant in Rutland.

We are already collecting for the next Free Indeed, which has been set for Saturday, Dec. 6 from 9 am to 1 pm. Free Indeed is an indoor tag sale where everything is indeed FREE! Donations will be accepted at the Church every Sunday in Nov. (2,9,16,23,30) from noon to 1 pm; Saturdays Nov. 22 and Nov. 29 from 10 am to noon. Thanks for the wonderful support we get from so many townsfolk. This is an event that touches the lives of many of our friends and neighbors.

Middletown Springs Community Church Sunday Service is 10 am. To listen to past sermons, and for more information go to www.middletownchurch.org; Pastor Jared Wilson's office 235-2386



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Successful Lawn Sale

Many, many thanks to everyone who donated, shopped, and volunteered. The Friends of the Library 2nd Annual Lawn Sale was a Huge Success!

We raised more than \$900.

Holding the sale on the Green was a big boon - we are grateful to the Community Church for the use of the Green.

The weather was fabulous as well... a Saturday in late Sept could have been very blustery.

Thank you all for your support and generosity.

Ursula Smith & Kimberly Mathewson
on behalf of the Friends of the Library

Jeannette Marcy



Jeannette Marcy was many things to many people. She was Ed's wife and partner, Marilyn and Maureen's mother, grandmother to Megan, Lauren and Michael, and great grandma to Haley, Hunter, Hannah and Hayden Hayes. And she was a friend and teacher to more people than can be named. When she died September 8, 2014 at Mountain View Center in Rutland, she left many behind who will remember her heart and her wry humor, and there will be many who will miss her.

She was born in "the boonies" of Castleton and moved with her parents and six older brothers and sisters to Middletown when she was in her teens. They bought the house on North Street for \$75, and Jeannette lived there until she and Ed moved to the red house in the shade of the apple orchard and beside the Poultney, where her kids learned to swim and picnicked on hot summer days.

Jeannette was also a working mom for most of those years. Her brothers and sisters had sent her to college where she was the first one in the family to get a college degree. Jeannette was a teacher in the Middletown

Springs elementary school, Principal of the Tinmouth School for a decade, and later she taught in Fair Haven and at Green Mountain College. If she taught many things to many young people, her heart was in literacy. "Everyone should read," she told her daughter, Marilyn, and she helped many who had failed when they were taught by others. She taught international students at Green Mountain College who were learning English as a second language, and she took her younger students to Montpelier so they would know the beauty of the place they lived.

But as much as she valued reading and as much as she cared about teaching children about Vermont, she was also committed to welcoming those who needed a roof or someone to care. Her siblings and her nieces and nephews had a place in the house when they needed it, and she extended that welcome at her table to others from away. There was always an amazing fruit pie and she was always willing to share her recipe for rhubarb ketchup or the 'goodie dessert' she made, or the doughnuts that were part of every hunting season.

Mother and grandmother, teacher, and friend. She gave many a place to belong. She is greatly missed.

Note of Thanks



To everyone who has supported us following the passing of Jeannette Marcy. We would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation.

Your many acts of kindness and sympathy continue to be a great comfort to us.

Ed, Marilyn, Maureen and their families

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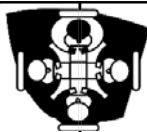


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Select Board Minutes August 28, 2014 Meeting - Approved



REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 pm

BOARD PRESENT: H. Childress, C. Haynes, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield

PUBLIC PRESENT: Sally Achey, Juanita Burch-Clay, Pat Hemenway, Randy Kniffen, David Munyak, Jenny Talke Munyak, Dawn Smith Pliner, Bill Reed

Approval of Minutes: T. Redfield moved to approve minutes from August 14 meeting; S. Moyer 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]. M. Lamson moved to approve minutes from August 21 regular meeting; C. Haynes 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried].

Public Comment: Dawn Smith Pliner spoke in favor of the Town purchasing the former Friends of Adoption building for conversion into a town office, and asked whether the matter should be put to Town vote. David Munyak reiterated some of the concerns that the Building Committee and Selectboard had expressed in their earlier site visit: insufficient vault space, inadequate accessibility features for Town Office use, part of the site located in a FEMA flood zone, and so on. Jenny Munyak noted that the Town has voted to purchase the Parker property for use in constructing a town office, and has subsequently voted twice to raise and dedicate funds to its design and construction. M. Lamson said that the Selectboard has appointed and authorized the Building Committee to pursue the processes of community engagement and public design input in order to provide direction to the Board, and that the process should not be undermined. Dawn indicated the possibility of submitting a petition for an election article; T. Redfield acknowledged the right of any citizen to do so.

Town Officers: Town Listers: Sally Achey asked the Board to approve an Errors and Omissions filing for parcel TH09-146 (Dudley) due to partial sale of land not reflected in the tax rolls. C. Haynes moves that the Board accept and sign the Errors and

Omissions filing; T. Redfield 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried].

Town Listers: Sally Achey asked that the penalties for late filing of homestead declarations be reinstated for the 2014-15 tax year. The Selectboard agreed to waive those late fees for the 2013-14 tax year because the requirement that all homeowners had to re-file homestead declarations caught some property owners by surprise. H. Childress noted that since the prior Board action was to waive the late fees for one year only, that waiver has now expired, and no Board action is necessary to reinstate them.

Town Listers: Sally Achey noted that the Listers requested an increase in rate of pay during the development of the 2014-15 budget, and asked whether that pay rate had been changed. The budget line item for Listers was increased from \$8,000 in 2013-14 to \$10,000 in 2014-15, but no rate of pay had been discussed. Randy Kniffen noted that the State pays each town \$7 per parcel per year for a reappraisal fund, but that because of the accuracy of appraisals, a total reappraisal has not been needed for over twenty years, leaving the current balance of that fund at over \$44,000; the State has recently relaxed its standards for tapping into that fund, and it has been used to support ongoing professional development and training for Listers. All of the Listers agreed that the work is more complex than had formerly been the case. The Selectboard agreed to place a discussion of Lister rate of pay onto its September 11 agenda; Sally will provide job descriptions in advance of that meeting.

Town Auditors: Juanita Burch-Clay reported that the Auditors continue to review Treasurer's statements, with only small questions arising so far. They also reviewed the Town debt report on behalf of the Building Committee. Auditors remind the Selectboard that the Town needs a purchasing policy, and urges the Selectboard to appoint a coordinator for the 2014 Town Report soon.

Building Committee: David Munyak reports that Claypoint Associates and Alderson Environmental have completed the lead

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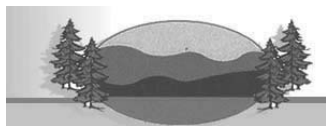
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and asbestos abatement project on Tuesday 8/26; he thanked Terry Redfield, Carl Haynes, Herb Childress, and the Highway Crew for brush clearing in advance of the work. Final soil samples have been sent for laboratory testing.

David submitted four requests for bids on the PCB removal and basement cleanup, and received two bids from Weston Samson (flat fee \$25,239) and Ross Environmental Associates (time and materials equaling \$20,290), with work to be completed by October 15, 2014. T. Redfield moved to accept the Building Committee's recommendation to proceed with Ross Environmental to conduct this phase of site clean-up; M. Lamson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried].

The original plan for mound septic on the site is now open to question because the status of the Teers' secondary well is uncertain. However, the project can move forward on the basis of an enclosed tank system, which will have no impacts on any neighboring properties. C. Haynes moves to meet with the engineer at the town office at 5:30 pm on September 11th, with site visit if necessary; T. Redfield 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried].

The Building Committee requests to hold an Open House on the site on Saturday October 4 from 9am to 1pm, with information stations and project updates. H. Childress moves to allow this Open House; T. Redfield 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]. M. Lamson moves to have Highway crew conduct regular mowing and weed trimming on the property; T. Redfield 2nd. [Ayes—H. Childress, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield; Nay—C. Haynes; motion carried].

Town Lands: M. Lamson reports no updates from FEMA regarding letter of map amendment (LOMA) application for West Street property.

Road Commissioner: Bill Reed submitted the upcoming repair plan for Town vehicles and equipment (both plow trucks, grader, backhoe). The grader has been returned to Town, but still needs oil and filter changes before returning to service. Bill will obtain quotes on needed backhoe repairs. M. Lamson moves to have Pete's Tire Barn replace tires and wheels on plow trucks as per their quote; T. Redfield 2nd. [Ayes—H. Childress, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield; Nay—C. Haynes; motion carried].

Road construction project on Coy Hill western section is near completion; road fabric, gravel topcoat, and roadside mulching/seeding to be completed in the coming week. Heavy stones unearthed during excavation have been requested by Margaret Fowler for roadmarking.

Test holes for possible ditch construction on Coy Hill Road showed no interfering ledge, and ditch construction could proceed. M. Lamson moved to have Highway crew complete ditch

work on Coy Hill Road as per his recommendation; H. Childress 2nd. [Ayes—H. Childress, M. Lamson, T. Redfield; Nays—C. Haynes, S. Moyer; motion carried].

Meeting for road re-classification is 7 pm on Tuesday September 9; the meeting has been warned, posted in Magnet and Front Porch Forum, and property owners directly affected have been notified of the petitions by certified mail; Town Clerk is posting in Rutland Herald public notices. This meeting will allow town input on the following three requests: that Whites Road be declassified, or "thrown up", that Moyer Acres Road be declassified, or "thrown up", and that Fox Bridge Lane be reclassified as a Class 4 Road.

Bill informed the Board that the recent replacement of the backhoe steering column has not fully solved the problem of locking it into multiple positions; Turunen's equipment repair will investigate.

Solid Waste: Metal collection day is scheduled for Saturday September 6th. The Selectboard placed a call to Sue Miller to learn whether she would manage the collection as she did in the spring. Alternatively, the Highway crew could manage collection and disposal.

Correspondence: H. Childress proposed that the Selectboard Clerk prepare a correspondence summary prior to each meeting, so that paper and electronic correspondence could be inventoried and items requiring response could be highlighted for Board attention. This will begin at the September 11th meeting.

Board Orders: T. Redfield moves to accept Board Orders as presented, but not paying the incorrect billing addressed to the Solid Waste Alliance Communities; H. Childress 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

Legal: The Garron Road dispute is proceeding toward resolution. The Town has received a letter from Gary Kupferer regarding action on employee mediation.

Other Business: The Selectboard will continue working on employment policy at a special meeting on September 9th, to follow the public meeting on road reclassification.

Adjourn — T. Redfield moves to adjourn, H. Childress 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]. Meeting adjourned 10:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Herb Childress, Clerk



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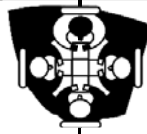
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Select Board Minutes

September 9, 2014 Special Meeting - Approved



REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER: 7:10 pm

BOARD PRESENT: H. Childress, C. Haynes, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield

PUBLIC PRESENT: Bill Reed

Review of Vermont Statute related to Road Re-Classification: The Selectboard reviewed relevant aspects of 19 VSA §708-711 related to the Selectboard's authority and proper procedures for reclassification of roads.

Discontinuation of Whites Road as a Town Highway: The Town received a petition requesting that the Town discontinue Whites Road. Bill Reed recommended approving the request, but cautioned that the decision will require a careful understanding of where the road boundaries are located, and the possible reduction of some of the Whites Road entry apron area to control water runoff onto Coy Hill Road.

Discontinuation of Moyer Acres Road as a Town Highway: The Town received a petition requesting that the Town discontinue Moyer Acres Road. Bill Reed recommended approving the request, but cautioned that the decision will require a careful understanding of the property owners' intentions for the curved driveway adjacent to Moyer Acres Road, and the possible reduction of some of the overall entry apron area to control water runoff onto Coy Hill Road.

Reclassification of Fox Bridge Lane to a Class 4 Highway: The Town received a petition requesting that the Town reclassify Fox Bridge Lane to a Class 4 road. There was some uncertainty about the exact number and location of culverts along that stretch of road, and whether the condition of those culverts should be ascertained prior to a decision on reclassification. Bill Reed recommended discontinuing Fox Bridge Lane altogether as per the Fowler's original (pre-petition) request, S. Moyer agreed.

Procedure for Decisions on All Three Reclassification Requests: The affected property owners will be contacted for a discussion and site review of threshold conditions where each of the three roads enters Coy Hill Road. C. Haynes will contact property owners to set a date for joint viewing with interested members of the Selectboard and other public.

The Selectboard has 60 days from tonight's (9/9) meeting to come to a determination regarding the status of these three road requests.

Employment Policy: The Selectboard continued to make progress on establishing a new employment policy.

Adjourn — M. Lamson moved to adjourn, S. Moyer 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]. Meeting adjourned 9:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Herb Childress, Clerk

Select Board Minutes

September 11, 2014 Special Meeting - Approved

SPECIAL MEETING CALL TO ORDER: 5:36 pm

BOARD PRESENT: H. Childress, C. Haynes (5:50), M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield (acting chair)

PUBLIC PRESENT: John Arsenault, Vicki Arsenault, Michael Beattie, Laura Castle, Maureen McCormack, Patricia McWilliams, David Munyak, Frank Parent (Long Trail Engineering)

Report from Frank Parent, Long Trail Engineering:

Frank Parent has done analyses on two septic system possibilities for the Parker site: a mound system and a wholly enclosed tank. He reported that the groundwater levels on site were too high to consider an in-ground septic system. The mound system would only be available for use if the Teers' spring were not used for drinking water; since they have made the claim that they use that spring, the enclosed tank system becomes the only viable option. The installation cost of the tank system would be lower than that of the mound system; its annual maintenance costs would be higher, since the tank would require more frequent pumping; but

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Middletown Springs Building Committee

The regular meeting times for the Building Committee are 7 pm at the Town Office on the **first Wednesday** and the **third Thursday** of each month.

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the long-term costs may be lower, since there would be no pump system needing periodic service and replacement.

Estimated costs provided by the engineer:

Tank System: \$23,000 installation, \$4,000 annual service

Mound System: \$28,000 to \$38,000 installation, \$400 annual service, 10-year life on pump, 20-30 year life on mound sand

The storage tanks would have a 50+ year service life, and are highway rated, so that they might be placed under parking or driveways (unlike an in-ground septic field) with risers terminating in surface-level covers. Thus, the tank system places fewer constraints on the other uses of the site. Based on state regulations, Frank has sized the system to use 8,000 gallons of storage; he recommends two 4,000-gallon tanks for ease of excavation and placement. He noted that these regulations will result in a system significantly larger than actual anticipated use; the Pawlet town office and library uses a similar system but only a 4,000-gallon tank, and have had satisfactory service.

Public Questions and Comments: Q: Could Grant's General Store be tied into this same system? Part of the store's current septic field is on Teers' property, and they're considering ways to discontinue that use.

A: Joint use would be possible from an engineering and permitting point of view. Costs could be shared based on metering incoming flow rates and using that as septic proportion. A shared well is also a possibility; if the store discontinues its current septic field, that may open up more opportunities for well location.

Q: How is the storage tank sized?

A: This is based on a 14-day capacity at a maximum usage flow rate of 600 gallons per day; actual use will be significantly lower than that.

Q: The Teers' spring well is labeled as abandoned. What information are we relying upon that it's being used?

A: By state advice, the determination of current use and potability must be based solely on property owner's word.

Q: The perk test was successful; why can't we use an in-ground system?

A: The ground system was ruled out not by soil percolation but rather by high groundwater levels.

Q: Is pumping for tanks of that size easily available from local septic vendors?

A: Yes, most local septic services can handle that volume.

Q: If we move forward with this design, are we locked into it?

A: No. It's always possible to file amended requests for permit, as long as regulations are met.

Q: The Building Committee says that the holding tank system allows for future expansion. What are the regulations for moving or adding tanks?

A: The holding tank as designed is rated for 600 gallons per day. If the Town meters incoming water from the well, we would have significant evidence for lower use that would be factored into any later request for building or occupancy expansion. Any added or relocated tanks would be subject to the same setbacks as the original system: 50' from any adjacent well, 10' from water lines, and 10' from property lines.

Q: How does an enclosed tank system account for groundwater buoyancy?

A: The tank is held down by concrete anchors sufficient to resist buoyancy. In addition, septic services will schedule pumping during dryer seasons.

Q: Is there any difference in setback requirements from a ground or mound system based on whether an adjacent well is drilled or spring-fed?

A: If the septic system is uphill from a well, the setback is 200' from a drilled well, and 500' from a spring-fed well. The enclosed tank, with only a 50' setback requirement from either type of well, allows for significantly more flexibility in placement.

Q: What is the current status of likely well placement?

A: There are a lot of existing septic fields near the site, which influences possible well location. Most likely well site at present is along South Street, near southern edge of gravel pad.

Q: There are a number of different well classifications.

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Which are we designing for?

A: The appropriate classification is a "non-public well," meaning that there would be fewer than 24 of the same people there every day. This allows for significant periodic use by library patrons or public meetings, as the classification is based only on standard daily occupancy rates.

Q: Will the water ultimately be tested for radon?

A: Standard water tests include heavy metals, petroleum components, and bacteria. Radon has been more an airborne than waterborne problem. If the water supply fails any of the tests, it can still be used for toilets and non-potable uses; drinking and handwashing water would be bottled. If there are unacceptable levels of any elements or compounds in the water, it would not pose a hazardous-material problem for septic pumping, because the contaminants would not be concentrated as they would be in a filter.

Q: Will we need to design a groundwater system?

A: No. The trigger for groundwater management is one acre of impermeable surface, and this site is significantly smaller.

Q: Does our mapping show the location of the current spring-fed water supply on the Parker lot?

A: No, but it wouldn't impact the septic design, and wouldn't be used for drinking water for the new building. Any latent water flow from that spring would need to be accounted for in building and site design; its outflow could be channeled into the Town's groundwater system along VT133.

The process for next steps on wastewater and well design would be as follows:

1. Prepare a design showing well location, well construction details, and full septic details
2. Submit application for Wastewater System and Potable Water Supply permit
3. Once the well is drilled, the water is tested for flow and quality. If necessary, any water treatment systems or storage systems would be designed and applied for and, upon approval,

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installed. If the water quality is unacceptable, bottled water could be used.

David Munyak expressed the Building Committee's recommendation that the tank system seems to be the best possible option: lower maintenance, greater expandability, and the Town would have no impacts on any of its neighbors. Any negotiations with adjacent property owners regarding a mound system would add time and unpredictability to the design process. The Pawlet town office and library share one 4,000-gallon tank; in FY 2013-14, they pumped that tank four times, but there seems to have been a leaking toilet that put constant water flow into the system, because they only pumped once per year in each of the preceding two fiscal years.

The Selectboard thanked Frank Parent for his report.

Report on Town Property off North Street: The survey for the firehouse, transfer station, and town vehicle lot has not yet been completed. C. Haynes will contact George Stannard to urge rapid completion.

The meeting concluded with a field tour of the North Street site.

Select Board Minutes September 11, 2014 Meeting - Approved

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 pm

BOARD PRESENT: H. Childress, C. Haynes, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield

PUBLIC PRESENT: Sally Achey, Laura Castle, David Munyak, Jenny Talke Munyak

Approval of Minutes: T. Redfield moved to approve minutes from August 28 meeting with addition to the public comment section; M. Lamson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]. T. Redfield moved to approve minutes from September 9 special meeting; S. Moyer 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried].

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Public Comment: none

Town Officers: Listers: Sally Achey presented a letter of opinion from Lister Randy Kniffen regarding differential pay for different Lister responsibilities, along with job descriptions and the results of a Statewide listers' survey regarding pay rates. The data for communities responding to the survey showed that the Chair of the Listers averaged \$14.71/hour and the other listers averaged \$13.71/hour, and that about 30% of responding communities used differential pay rates for different lister responsibilities. At present, the Middletown Springs listers all make \$12/hour. C. Haynes expressed opposition to differential pay; added work means added hours, which would increase that person's overall pay. M. Lamson also expressed reservations, believing that all three Listers should be competent in all aspects of the work. Sally discussed the amount of training she's received in the work; Sally also has some supervisory or coordinative responsibilities with regards to the work of the other Listers. H. Childress stated his support for differential pay based on different job responsibilities, certification and training, and supervisory responsibility. M. Lamson moved to increase Listers' pay from its current rate to the State average of \$14.71 for the Chair and \$13.71 for regular service; H. Childress 2nd. [Ayes—H. Childress, M. Lamson, T. Redfield; Nays—C. Haynes, S. Moyer; motion carried] S. Moyer stated the importance of the Listers' work to the Town, and moved to pay at the rates of \$15 for the chair and \$14 for regular service. [No second, motion failed]. T. Redfield moved to make the increase retroactive to the beginning of the 2014-15 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014; C. Haynes 2nd [all in favor, motion carried]

Treasurer: Jenny Talke Munyak is still missing three addresses for tax bills, and is pursuing that information. She submitted August financial reporting to the Board. Treasurer and Board discussed possible means of accounting for employee vacation accrual, and also possible ways of financing the Firehouse roof project if the motion is successful at the September 23 special election.

Town Clerk: Laura Castle informed that the Auditors would like to purchase page layout software so that Jackie Parker could do the Annual Report in house; Patty Kenyon can recommend a software vendor that offers discounts for non-profits. Laura and the Auditors will send letters to all town organizations with a firm deadline for inclusion in the Town Report.

Building Committee: David Munyak asked the Board to take action on the engineer's recommendations given at the earlier special meeting. C. Haynes expressed reservations: we don't yet know whether General Store would like to move forward with shared design; he remains uncertain why the earlier possibilities for the ground-based and mound-based systems had

been eliminated from consideration; and he believes that we need more information about the proposed structure and its footprint prior to septic design. H. Childress replied that site engineering is commonly conducted prior to building design, though he also expressed a desire to see some schematic solutions to the proposed structure. H. Childress moved to accept the engineer's general design for the holding-tank septic system and the well plan, and allow him to move forward with design specifics leading to well and wastewater permit applications; M. Lamson 2nd. [Ayes—H. Childress, M. Lamson, S. Moyer, T. Redfield; Nay—C. Haynes; motion carried]

David also reported that contractors working on behalf of Ross Environmental Associates have begun the work of slab removal and site fencing, and that investigation of cellar contents and possible contaminants can begin shortly.

Town Lands: M. Lamson reports no updates from FEMA regarding letter of map amendment (LOMA) application for West Street property.

Road Commissioner: The Town has received two prices for road salt; through the Department of Transportation for \$79.56/ton, or directly from Cargill at \$76.02 per ton. Bill Reed had advised outside this meeting that purchase from Cargill was his preference, since it would not commit us to a specific purchase quantity. T. Redfield moved to allow the Road Commissioner to sign the Cargill salt purchase agreement for \$76.02 per ton at an estimated quantity of 115 tons; M. Lamson 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

C. Haynes spoke with Margaret Fowler regarding the three roads off Coy Hill that were the subject of the reclassification hearing on Tuesday (Whites Road, Fox Bridge Lane, and Moyer Acres Road). The Selectboard will meet with her onsite for field examination at 5:30 pm Monday September 22.

Solid Waste: Metal collection day on 9/6 went off well, with relatively low volume collected. C. Haynes moved to do away with the Fall metal collection day; M. Lamson 2nd. [Ayes—C. Haynes, M. Lamson; Nays—H. Childress, S. Moyer, T. Redfield; motion failed]. Discussion ensued about whether it was possible and advisable to combine large waste and metal waste collection sessions; the Board will consider that at a future meeting.

Correspondence: M. Lamson moves to have the Board chair sign the SWAC resolution for the municipal planning grant, and to contribute \$450.09 to its matching fund; T. Redfield 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

H. Childress moved to have Board chair complete and sign contract with Countryside Lock and Alarms for 2014-15 alarm service for town office; T. Redfield 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

Board Orders: H. Childress moved to allow Board chair to sign CAMA software agreement; C. Haynes 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

H. Childress moved to sign Highway pay orders with the caveat that timesheets must be signed by employees to verify that their hours are true and accurate; T. Redfield 2nd. [Ayes: H. Childress, C. Haynes, M. Lamson, T. Redfield; Nay—S. Moyer; motion carried]

• T. Redfield moves to accept Board Orders as presented; C. Haynes 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]

Executive Session: H. Childress moved that the ensuing
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personnel discussion would place either the Town or the employee at substantial disadvantage; T. Redfield 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried] H. Childress moved that the Selectboard enter executive session to discuss personnel issues; C. Haynes 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]. Board entered Executive Session at 9:54 pm.

C. Haynes moved to exit executive session; T. Redfield 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried] Executive session ended at 10:04 pm, no action taken.

Adjourn — T. Redfield moves to adjourn, C. Haynes 2nd. [all in favor, motion carried]. Meeting adjourned 10:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Herb Childress, Clerk



School Directors (Regular) Meeting September 11, 2014 - UnOfficial Minutes

Present: Clarence Haynes (Chair), Meredith Morgan (Vice-Chair), Christopher Smid (Member), Sarah Haley (Clerk). **Also present:** Joan Paustian (Superintendent), Rick Beal (Principal), and Susan Rosso (Recording Secretary). **Public Present:** Jennelle Carr

1. Call to Order: Clarence Haynes called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

2. Additions, Deletions, Changes to Agenda: Item #7B (Food Service Analysis) will not be covered tonight. It will be added to October's agenda.

Item #9C (Personnel-Other) Add request to approve Denise McConville as Interim ASP Asst.

3. Consent Agenda: Approval of Minutes – August 4, 2014 Sarah Haley moved to approve the August 4 meeting minutes, Chris Smid seconded; motion carried 4-0.

Superintendent's Report: Supt. Paustian stated that, in addition to her written report, there are documents at the end of the board packet which include past AYP scores, 2014 AYP targets and a letter from the Secretary of the AOE regarding AYP. There is also a letter from the Governor. The SU Policy Committee has met; pink drafts of policies will be coming soon for review. On October 6, there will be a VSBA meeting at Otter Valley UHS. The AOE Secretary will be there to address the group. All board members are encouraged to attend. Dr. Paustian attended the Regional Superintendents meeting. Two things to be aware of: 1) small schools grants may be discontinued and 2) penalties may be assessed for small class sizes. These proposals will need to be watched carefully as they would significantly affect our revenues.

Mr. Milazzo went to Montpelier to learn about the proposed rules for Act 6; the new universal Pre-K act. The "No-Idling" law was discussed. Cars are only allowed to idle for five minutes in each sixty minute period while on school grounds.

Principal's Report: Principal Beal shared that teachers are implementing the new Journeys reading program. A Mathematics fact fluency program will be discussed with Math Consultant Jean Ward at the faculty meeting on Sept. 16. The water system upgrade has been delayed due to issues with the project bidder. Mr. Beal met with architect Mark McManus about a lift for the school; Mark will research this and respond. Mr. Beal also shared that we can access grant funds from VISBT to purchase mats to make the multipurpose room safer for the students. IA Shirl Harrington has resigned to take a counseling position at MRUHS. Sherry Lantman has been recognized as a Vermont Teacher of the Year. Mr. Beal is proud to have her at our school. The presenter at the RSWSU in-service day was well received by teachers and staff. Circus Smirkus will return to our school this year at the incredible price of \$100. MSES will participate in "International Walk or Ride to School Week."

Business Manager's Report: Financial Statements - Mr. Milazzo is not in attendance; he sent current financial statements. Mr. Haynes wonders if there is an abbreviated way to summarize the financial updates so they can be reviewed more quickly and focus on any cost overruns or variances that need to be looked at. Chris Smid moved to approve the Consent Agenda, Sarah Haley seconded; motion carried 4-0.

4. Approve Warrants: a. Warrant #192 in the amount of \$117,819.30 dated 8/6/14 b. Warrant #193 in the amount of \$16,605.98 dated 8/20/14

Chris Smid moved to approve Warrants #192 in the amount of \$117,819.30 dated 8/6/14 and #193 in the amount of \$16,605.98 dated 8/20/14, Sarah Haley seconded; motion carried 4-0

5. General Public Comments: Jennelle Carr is interested in joining the Middletown Springs School Board. Mr. Haynes explained the duties of board members. He described the board as policy makers but not micro-managers. Using their varied

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strengths, they strive to be proactive and responsive. Mr. Haynes noted that the VT School Boards Association (VSBA) offers helpful training for new members. The Supt. explained that hiring, budgeting, and policy-making are major board responsibilities. Jennelle asked about becoming a board member. She would need to be appointed by the board, sworn in by the Town Clerk and, to continue serving; would need to run for office when the current vacant term expires.

6. Old Business: None

7. New Business: a. Review any letters of interest for open Board seat: Jennelle Carr submitted a letter of interest for the seat. After discussion, Clarence Haynes moved to appoint Jennelle Carr as Board Member for the remaining vacant term, Sarah Haley seconded; motion carried 4-0.

b. Analysis of Food Service Expenses: This will be covered at the October meeting when Mr. Milazzo will provide data.

c. Proactive Safety Measures: Mats have been ordered for the multipurpose room to make it safer for the children; protecting them from table/counter edges and the milk cooler while they are playing.

8. Policies: None

9. Action on Personnel Contract: a. Resignations: Shirl Harrington (IA). Clarence Haynes moved to accept the resignation of Shirl Harrington with regret and to release her from her contract, Chris Smid seconded; motion carried 4-0.

b. New Hires: IA – None at this time; a substitute is covering the vacancy.

c. Other: Approve contract for Denise McConville as Interim ASP Asst. Clarence Haynes moved to approve the above contract, Sarah Haley seconded; motion carried 4-0.

10. Set Next Board Meeting & Agenda Building: By consensus, the next MS board meeting will be held on October 9 at 6:00PM at MSES.

11. Executive Session 1 VSA § 313 (1-9) (a) (b): a. Anticipated for personnel issues: Clarence Haynes moved to have the Board enter Executive Session at 7:15PM for personnel and legal issues and negotiations, inviting new Board Member Jennelle Carr, Supt. Paustian, and Principal Beal to participate; motion seconded by Meredith Morgan; motion carried 4-0.

Clarence Haynes moved to have the Board exit Executive Session at 7:32PM, Meredith Morgan seconded; motion carried 4-0. No Action Taken.

12. Other Lawful Business: None

13. Adjournment: Clarence Haynes moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:34PM, Chris Smid seconded; motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Rosso



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Building Committee September 3, 2014 – Approved Minutes

Present: Lois Dansereau, Maureen McCormack, Kimberly Mathewson, Fred Bradley, Tom Hurcomb, David Munyak, Patty Kenyon, Kristal Hier, Michael Beattie arrived at 7:27pm

Absent: David Wright, Patty McWilliams, Robin Chesnut-Tangerman

Call to Order: D Munyak at 7:06pm

I. New quorum requirements - As of the meeting of August 21, the BC has a new quorum requirement pursuant to the attendance policy passed by the Select Board on 5/8/14 which states that "BC membership is dependent on an active membership, so if a member misses 4 meetings in a row they automatically lose their appointment to the committee."

The committee is now comprised of 12 people so the quorum is 7.

II. Committee officers - Robin Chesnut Tangerman indicated that, although he wishes to remain a member of the committee, he feels he should step down as Vice-Chair due to the demands of his campaign activities. D Munyak asked for a motion to accept Robin's resignation as Vice Chair with thanks and regrets. K Mathewson moved to accept Robin Chesnut-Tangerman's resignation as Vice-Chair of the Building committee with regret and thanks for his service. K Hier seconded and the motion carried. D Munyak requested a nomination for a new Vice Chair. After a short discussion the committee members present asked to table any action on this until the next meeting.

K Hier moved to table Vice-Chair nominations until the next meeting, K Mathewson seconded and the motion carried.

III. Minutes: A. Approval of August 21 minutes. D Munyak requested one clarification to the minutes.

M McCormack moved to accept the minutes of August 21, 2014 as corrected, T Hurcomb seconded and the motion carried.

IV. Public Comments: D Munyak followed up on last meeting's public comments, stating that Dawn Smith attended the last Select Board meeting. She asked that the Select Board reconsider buying the FIA building. D Munyak also reported that she indicated she would petition an article for the townspeople to vote on in regards to buying the FIA Building for a town office. There was some discussion about flood plain, about value, about handicap accessibility, about the size of the vault, basement water, etc.

V. Community Support: A. Visioning information Subcommittee Reports – K Mathewson has posted the entire visioning results on the web. D Munyak will begin to roll them out on FPF next week.

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VI. Sub-Committee Reports: A. Public Relations – K Hier's latest Q & A segment was posted today. D Munyak will post the next one on his list next week. So this process is moving along nicely.

Open House Planning – D Munyak requested permission from the Select Board to use the site on October 4th for the open house and permission was granted. The site needs more mowing and weed whacking and D Munyak requested that it be done one week before the open house.

T Hurcomb reviewed the job assignments each member took on. He checked in with everyone to make sure that they were working on their assignments and felt they could be ready for the 4th. The committee talked about laying out the footprint and decided that should be done the day before because it will take some time. M Beattie, F Bradley, D Munyak, T Hurcomb will meet on Friday the 3rd in the afternoon to get this piece complete and ready to go.

T Hurcomb will write up a publicity blurb for the September Magnet and remind P McWilliams about making up a poster to advertise the event. There was also discussion as to what information we would be presenting at the Open House beyond building footprint and information we've previously shared. The intention is to have a preliminary cost estimate as well as a basic building schematic with two options one with the library and one without the library.

D Munyak was thinking of doing a timeline of accomplishments to date - do we want to add that? Committee thinks it makes sense to do that.

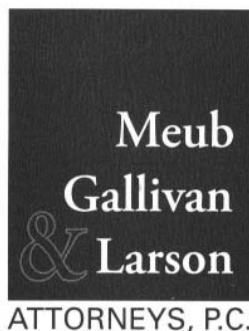
B. Fund raising – Subcommittee group has met twice since the last Building Committee meeting. P Kenyon agreed to step up as chair of this subcommittee. Current committee members are Kimberly Mathewson, Maureen McCormack, David Munyak and Patty Kenyon.

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D Munyak reported that he sent the letter out today seeking grant writers to the predetermined pool of prospects. P Kenyon talked about what we have done so far and how the subcommittee wants to proceed. The subcommittee will meet an hour prior to each building committee meeting - any other members are welcome to come at any time. We will be working continually to keep up with the progress that is happening and to stay on top of any opportunities that might come our way.

There was discussion about grant potentials and procedures and that we need to continue to work hard to get as much funding as we can so that the project has the least amount of cost to the taxpayer as possible. To date we have done just that, with the brownfields clean-up costing the taxpayers very little because of the grants we have been able to secure. We want to continue on that path.

Next T Hurcomb reviewed the town's long term debt liability with the committee. These charts show the town's long term debts totaling more than \$100,000 per year being settled by FY2018.

VII. Building & Site Design: A. Library programming – K Mathewson reported that the ADA compliance visit to the library is scheduled for Monday September 8 at 10:30am at the library. Any building committee people can be there. The discussion will center around how the library can get an ADA waiver so that they can be in compliance. It should be an informative meeting in terms of bringing older buildings into compliance as well as a chance to ask general questions about ADA requirements for new buildings.

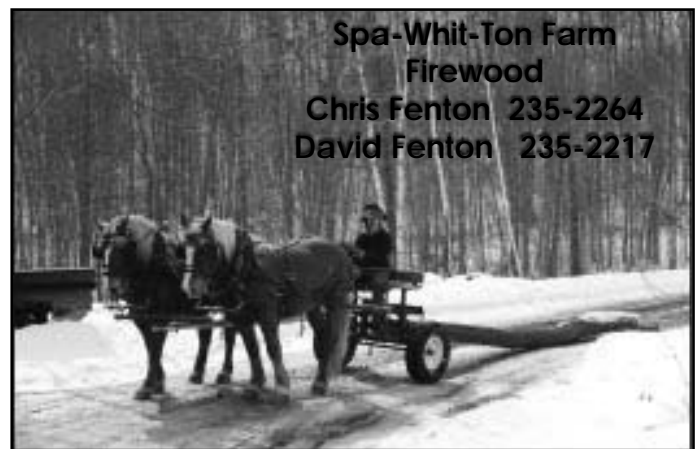
B. Schematics – M Beattie brought a building sketch of the footprint with initial thoughts on design layout of spaces. There was a lot of discussion about the building layout and next steps. The committee asked M Beattie to ask Mark McManus to attend our next building committee meeting on Sept 18th so that the committee members can have a more in-depth discussion with both architects.

D Munyak asked F Bradley if he had followed up with Laura in terms of getting visitor count for the town office. Laura indicated to Fred that she has a written report of who comes through each day. We just need to ask her for it and she will get it to us.

VIII. Project Scheduling – A. Lead / asbestos cleanup - The lead and asbestos abatement was finished on Aug 26th. Follow up soil tests came back fine, there is no further action needed.

B. Site Maintenance - D Munyak reported that the Select Board approved having the Highway crew perform regular maintenance on the site.

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C. PCB / basement cleanup - The Select Board also approved the contract for the next phase of the project with Ross Environmental. D Munyak is hoping that means we can go out to bid for contractors soon in regard to remaining cleanup.

D. Well / septic scheduling - D Munyak also reported to the Select Board his conversation with Frank Parent regarding the pump tank system being the best option for septic at this site. Carl Haynes wants to meet with Frank Parent to talk about the systems options with the Select Board in person. That meeting has been set for 5:30pm next Thursday prior to the regular Select Board meeting. Interested Building Committee members are encouraged to attend.

D Munyak reported that he visited the Pawlet Town Hall & Library to get information on their system's use (which is also a pump tank system). The Town Treasurer is putting together an operating cost report for us.

IX. Other Business: A. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 18, 2014

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 9:31pm

Respectfully submitted,
Patty Kenyon, Building Committee Clerk



Building Committee September 18, 2014 – Approved Minutes

Present: Dave Munyak, Kimberly Mathewson, Maureen McCormack, Patty Kenyon, Tom Hurcomb, Lois Dansereau, David Wright, Michael Beattie at 7:16pm, Patty McWilliams at 7:17pm, Maureen McCormack left at 8:11pm

Absent: Robin Chesnut-Tangerman, Fred Bradley, Kristal Hier

Public Present: Peter Stevenson, Shirley Moyer

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:09pm by D Munyak

I. Minutes: A. Approval of September 3 minutes. – T Hurcomb moved to accept the minutes of September 3, 2014 as amended. L Dansereau seconded and the motion carried.

II. Public Comments: None

III. Community Support: A. Visioning information - FPF – D Munyak reported that the visioning results were posted on the website and the first statement made it into the September Magnet. Dave has agreed to post the individual statements one at a time on Front Porch Forum. K Mathewson agreed to print and post the results in their entirety at the Town Office, Vicki's, the Post Office, and the Library.

IV. Sub-Committee Reports: A. Public Relations - What's happening at the corner posts are continuing. D Munyak posted this week, K Hier is next up.

1. October 4 open house - T Hurcomb reported that the open house article was in the Magnet, the promotional poster is done and has been distributed. The committee decided that it would be good to post the event on Front Porch Forum next week and then also the week of the event so that folks can mark their calendars. Set up for the event will start on Friday morning with the footprint layout and putting up the tents. The Historical Society will let us borrow chairs and tables. The Library is working on their displays as well. K Mathewson reported that Nora has agreed to staff the refreshments table for us. Kimberly and P McWilliams will take care of getting the refreshments. The plan is for coffee, cider and cider donuts. D Munyak will remind the

Select Board about mowing and weed whacking.

B. Fund raising – P Kenyon reported that the Fund raising subcommittee met prior to this meeting and have begun to take on tasks. The tasks include looking at specific granting possibilities and beginning the process of organizing for a capital campaign.

T Hurcomb brought up the special vote happening next week for the Fire Department and that depending on how that votes goes, the town's long term debt picture may change.

D Munyak asked about the final determination on Middletown Springs getting a designated Village Center status from the state of Vermont. T Hurcomb reported that the designation has been received and that status could help us when applying for grants.

V. Building & Site Design: A. Library programming - ADA visit - Lisa Ryan, State of Vermont Community Development Specialist visited the Library on Sept 8th to look at the building and talk about ADA compliance. Building Committee members and Library Trustees attended. P Stevenson asked about ADA compliance and ramifications for non-compliance.

Those who attended the meeting reported that the big take away for non-compliance issues is that the fact that Library is trying to address the issues by exploring their options, either by moving to a new building or retrofitting and adding on to their current building, and trying to determine the best solutions, would satisfy the state that the library is doing what they can to address any current shortcomings. At this point there is no need to apply for a waiver. Once the library can determine their best course of action and if that is to remain in their current building they will need to have a plan to update and bring that building into compliance.

There was some discussion about the Historic Architect's report recently commissioned by the Friends of the Library as well as the options on the table through grants from the State of Vermont. Both these items were relevant to a Library meeting and off topic for the Building Committee meeting as they pertained purely to the options for the Library staying on West Street. Discussion was brought back on topic and the meeting progressed.

B. Schematics - M Beattie talked about his meeting with Mark McManus and the work each was doing to prepare drawings for the Open House on October 4. Mark will be working on a floor plan that includes just a town office, while Michael will work on a plan with two floors that contains a Town Office and a Library. Each floor plan will have costs associated with it. Michael also reported that Mark McManus will come to our October 1st meeting.

P Stevenson brought up his concern about ground water at the site and that the architects and engineers will need to address those issues in the building design. There was also a suggestion that engineers and architects will need to work with the State Highway Department if there will be any water drainage into the state highway.

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All are welcome.

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VI. Project Scheduling: A. PCB / basement cleanup - D Munyak reported that Ross Environmental had the slab removed on the 12th of September and that they have prepared the RFP for the cleanup. The pre-bid meeting is scheduled for September 26th. Bids are due on October 3rd. The goal is to have the work completed by the third week in October. The Agency of Commerce grant will cover the costs for this last piece of clean up.

B. Well / septic permit - D Munyak reported that the Select Board met with Frank Parent, (Engineer) last week. Frank presented his information on his proposed holding tank system. The Select Board voted to have Frank Parent move forward on the septic design and apply for a permit from the state. We should know if the permit is granted by the end of the year. Once the permit is approved the well can be drilled.

M Beattie reminded us that Jerry Parker is willing to donate labor for well drilling and that FW Webb indicated they are willing to help us out with some good pricing on materials. We also have a couple in town who have indicated that they are willing to make a sizable donation toward the well supplies.

VII. Other Business: K Mathewson asked D Munyak about the signage for the open house. Dave is working on that and hopes to have it done by the open house

There was a bit more discussion on the details for the open house, touching on display materials, solicitations, sign-up sheets and so forth.

S Moyer requested that the Building Committee add in the cost of bringing the current library into ADA compliance and adding an addition for the library's future needs into the mix of cost analysis at the open house. M Beattie agreed to work with K Mathewson to determine the resulting square footage and to put an estimated cost to that potential project.

D Wright brought up that we did not include the appointment of a new Vice Chair to the original agenda. The committee agreed they were not ready to make this appointment tonight.

D Wright made a motion to table the appointment of a Building Committee Vice Chair until the next meeting on October 1st. T Hurcomb seconded and the motion carried.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 1, 2014

Adjourn: M Beattie motioned to adjourn at 8:53pm L Danseureau seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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What's Happening at the Corner?



Kristal & Dave answer your questions



The latest installment in the Building Committee's series. Q & A's have been previously posted to Front Porch Forum over the past month. *Editors Note: Due to space constraints this month, the most recent post by Kristal Hier will be added to the November issue if space allows.*



Q. It looks like some work was going on at the corner; fencing, digging, etc. What's happening??

A. The environmental engineer hired by the town brought in an excavator to remove the existing concrete slab so that when the contractors come to inspect the site in advance of preparing their bids for cleanup, they can see what's there. The temporary fence was erected to keep people from entering the work area.

Tinmouth Contra Dance Friday, October 17 at 8:00 pm



Come to an exuberant contra dance with Luke Donforth calling and music by Brendan Taaffe on guitar and Sarah Blair on fiddle at the Tinmouth Community Center on Friday October 17 from 8 – 11 pm. All dances are taught, and you do not need a partner. If you are a beginner, come at 8. There will be live music, enthusiastic swinging and dancing and a fun night for all.

The dance takes place in the Tinmouth Community Center, generally on the third Friday of the month. The Community Center is on Rte 140 in the center of Tinmouth, Vermont 5 miles west of Wallingford. Please bring clean, non-marring shoes. Admission is \$9, \$7 for teens and free for children 12 and under. Refreshments will be available to benefit the dance fund. Call 235-2718 or 446-2928 for info or directions or www.Tinmouthvt.org for directions.

Mark your calendars for our fall/winter series: November 28 (the fourth Friday) and December 19.



Calendar

October

Building Committee	Thurs. 16	7 pm	Hist. Soc. Bldg.
Tinmouth Contra Dance	Fri. 17	8 pm	Tinmouth Center
Conservation Comm.	Mon. 20	7 pm	Library
Select Board	Thurs. 23	7 pm	Town Office
Men's Breakfast	Sat. 25	8 am	School
Friends of the Library	Tues. 28	7 pm	Library
Fountain of Youth	Wed. 29	11 am	Poultney
Halloween	Fri. 31	Dusk	Be Safe!

November

Time Change - Fall Back	Sun. 2	2 am	
Planning Commission	Mon. 6	3 pm	Town Office
Energy Committee	Mon. 6	7 pm	Town Office
General Election	Tues. 4	7am - 7pm	Firehouse
Building Committee	Wed. 5	7 pm	Hist. Soc. Bldg.
First Response	Thurs. 6	6:30 pm	Fire House
MSHS Trustees	Thurs. 6	7:30 pm	Hist. Soc. Bldg.
School Board	Thurs. 13	6 pm	School
Select Board	Thurs. 13	7 pm	Town Office
Building Committee	Thurs. 20	7 pm	Hist. Soc. Bldg.



Calendar Events – subject to change.

When in doubt, please check with the organization for details.

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